

Girl Scouts of North East Ohio

- Learn about the NASA's plans for exploration!
- Write a short story about life on the Moon!!
- Win NASA prizes!!!



NASA hopes to send astronauts back to the Moon by 2020. Although the first trips will be short, the plan is to eventually build a base on the Moon where each successive astronaut crew will live and work for several months. This exploration will help NASA prepare to send astronauts on 3-year, round-trip expeditions to Mars.

Girl Scouts of ages 8-17, you are challenged to write a fictional short story about the life of a female astronaut working on the Moon. Through the web site, **Girl Scouts Explore Space at NASA:**

<http://exploration.grc.nasa.gov/girlscouts/>

you can learn about the Moon, NASA's plans for exploration, and the careers of NASA's women, including 23 former Girl Scouts who were career astronauts. Stories will be judged by age level (8-9, 10-11, 12-14, 15-17) and many prizes will be awarded. Selected stories will be posted on the web site above with the author's first name, age, and city.

RULES

1. This competition is open to youth members of ages 8-17 of the Girl Scouts of North East Ohio.
2. The story must be written **in first person** about a woman's life and work in a future base on the Moon.
3. Descriptions of the Moon in the story must be accurate. For example, the astronaut cannot collect Moon rocks to eat because the Moon is not made of green cheese (or any other edible substance).
4. This is a writing competition, and the story may not include illustrations or figures.
5. The story must have a title and cannot be longer than 1,000 words.

SUBMISSION & DEADLINE

Have your parent or leader e-mail your story to story@gsneo.org during the month of **March 2008**. In addition to the story (with its title), the e-mail should include your name, age, city, troop number (or indicate if you are individually registered as a Juliette), and council region (if known).



Former Girl Scout Jan Davis ate Girl Scout cookies on the Space Shuttle.



Susan Helms, a former Girl Scout, served as the first female crewmember on the International Space Station.